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REMARKS

Applicants provide the present Amendment After Decision on Appeal to amend the dependency of Claim 35. Applicants request entry of the present Amendment and submit that no new issues are raised as Applicants have only amended Claim 35, which is consistent with the discussion of Claim 35 in the Board Decision. *See* Board Decision, p. 7, Footnote 3.

The IDS dated April 20, 1999

Applicants also wish to bring to the Examiner's attention an IDS that was filed April 20, 1999. For the Examiner's convenience, a duplicate submittal of this IDS, including the original IDS cover sheet, form PTO-1449, cited references, and stamped return-postcard is provided herewith at Tab A. Applicants request that Examiner consider the references cited in the IDS and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form with any subsequent action.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all pending claims in the present application are in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested in due course. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone should any additional issues need to be addressed.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No.09-0461.

Respectfully submitted,



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